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**Re: Friends of Mary Landrieu, Inc.
FEC Identification #C00325126**

Dear Mr. Leopold:

This is in response to your letter dated September 14, 2004 concerning the July Quarterly Report (4/1/04-6/30/04) of the Friends of Mary Landrieu, Inc. (the "Committee").

You have asked about a transfer to the Committee from a joint fundraising committee. Please note that the transfer that occurred in this reporting period is the fourth transfer from the joint fundraising committee to the Friends of Mary Landrieu and that the total memo Schedule A entries for all four transfers is greater than the transfer amounts reported on Line 12. The memo Schedule A entries that constitute the difference between this reporting period's transfer and its memo entries have been reported in previous reporting periods.

You also ask about the purposes listed for Committee expenditures. The Committee has historically used the phrase "service charge" to describe the small fees that certain vendors, such as travel agents and banks, charge for their services. In fact, "service charge" is the term used by the vendors to describe the charges. The Committee is unclear why the Commission finds this phrase to be an insufficient purpose and can find nothing in the regulations stating that the phrase is insufficient. However to comply with your request the Committee will amend its report to change the purposes listed as "service charge."

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